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For: **CHARGED PARTICLE BEAM  
ALIGNMENT METHOD AND CHARGED  
PARTICLE BEAM APPARATUS**

**AMENDMENT**

MS Non-Fee Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper.